

State of Utah

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Company	Dennis Ware Controller	
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Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070038
Inspection Type:	PARTIAL
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, August 23, 2005
Start Date/Time:	8/23/2005 1:00:00 PM
End Date/Time:	8/23/2005 3:30:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, July 27, 2005

Inspector: Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: 85 slight breeze

InspectionID Report Number: 701

Accepted by: whedberg 9/1/2005

Permitee: **PLATEAU MINING CORP**Operator: **PLATEAU MINING CORP**

Site: WILLOW CREEK MINE

Address: PO BOX 30, HELPER UT 84526-0030

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

Current Acreages

Total Permitted	14,670.00
Total Disturbed	161.55
Phase I	
Phase II	
Phase III	

Mineral Ownership Types of Operations

✓ Federal	Underground
State	Surface
County	✓ Loadout
✓ Fee	Processing
✓ Other	Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The purpose of this site visit was to conduct a partial inspection of the Willow Creek reclaimed site.

Inspec	tor's	Signa	ture
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Date

Thursday, August 25, 2005

Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III Inspector ID Number: 1

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable. b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
 Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	✓		✓	
2.	Signs and Markers	~		✓	
3.	Topsoil				
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions				
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments				
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures				
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring				
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations				
5.	Explosives				
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches				
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments				
8.	Noncoal Waste				
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues				
10.	Slides and Other Damage				
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation				
12.	Backfilling And Grading				
13.	Revegetation	~		✓	
14.	Subsidence Control				
15.	Cessation of Operations				
16.8	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing				
16.	Roads: Drainage Controls				
17.	Other Transportation Facilities				
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	~		✓	
19.	AVS Check				
20.	Air Quality Permit				
21.	Bonding and Insurance				
22.	Other				

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1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

There are two amenements pending; the application that addresses the removal of confidental information from the MRP Task ID #2260 and Phase One Bond Release for Gravel Canyon Task ID #2243.

2. Signs and Markers

Signs containing the required information were posted at the entrances to the reclaimed site.

13. Revegetation

The reclaimed slope behind the shop was inspected for stability and vegetation establishment. The slope is steep and faces to the Southwest. The hillside has been pocked and is stable with a crust formed on the top of the soil. Vegetation is sparce, however, normal for the first growing season after reclamation on a steep hillside with a southwest exposure. Since the soil is crusted, no supplemental seeding is recommended.

18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations

The rail loadout is being dismantled and should be completed by mid October. The College of Eastern Utah is in the process of evaluating the remaining buildings and associated property to be used as a training center. If the college purchases the buildlings and property a post mining land use change application will be submitted by Plateau Mining Company.